

EPITOME OF EVENTS

GENERAL NEWS AND NOTES FRESH FROM THE WIRE.

THE STORY IN A NUTSHELL

Embracing a Condensation of Events in Which Readers Generally Are More or Less Concerned.

Washington.

Sergeant-at-Arms Jackson of the house of representatives appointed a delegation from that body to attend the funeral of Representative J. T. Latta in Tekamah, Neb. The delegation included all of Representative Latta's colleagues in the house from Nebraska, Kansas and Colorado, besides Representatives Pepper of Iowa, Hooper of Missouri, Floyd of Arkansas, Davenport, Ferris and Carter of Oklahoma.

Interstate carriers are responsible in damages to shippers for loss to the latter through the misrouting of shipments. This principle was laid down by the Interstate Commerce commission in deciding the case of W. C. Sterling & Son company of Monroe, Mich., against the Michigan Central railroad and other carriers. The decision practically reverses a previous holding of the commission.

Arrangements for the largest timber sale ever made by the government, involving 60,000,000 board feet of merchantable timber, nine-tenths of it yellow pine, are being made by the departments of agriculture and interior. The timber must be sold to the highest bidder. This sale will bring the government from \$1,500,000 to \$2,000,000, as no bid of less than \$2.50 per thousand will be accepted for the first five years of the contract, nor less than \$3.00 per thousand for that cut later.

General.

The strike of Illinois Central shopmen has been averted.

Cholera has a grip on the Ottoman empire from end to end.

Cheng Tu, China, is undergoing a siege at the hands of rebels.

The high tide of interest has been reached in the Canadian campaign.

The crater of Etux is emitting ashes and lava, and people in the vicinity of the eruption are in panic.

Reports from Maine indicate that there is a majority in favor of retaining prohibition.

Moving pictures of the Beattie trial were stopped at Jacksonville, Fla., and several other places.

Premier Stolypin of Russia was shot and probably fatally wounded while attending an opera at Kiev.

Governors of states voted to unite in a protest to the supreme court against the Sanborn decision.

The report of the betrothal of Prince Arthur of Connaught to Princess Irene, daughter of the Grand Duchess Xenia Alexandrovna, who is a sister of Emperor Nicholas, is officially denied.

Fears for the health of Miss Clara Barton, founder of the American Red Cross society, who has been ill at her home at Oxford, are not well founded, according to a statement issued by her nephew, S. E. Barton.

News was brought by the Orteric that the Japanese naval authorities have decided to abolish the naval station at Port Arthur in favor of Chinha Bay, Korea. The officials at Port Arthur have been notified.

President Charles Barrett, of the national farmers' union, declared at the national cotton growers' convention that a France-German syndicate has guaranteed any amount of money up to \$75,000,000 toward financing the south's cotton crop.

Four men were killed and two seriously injured by a dynamite explosion in the stone quarry of the Elmhurst-Chicago company, fifteen miles west of Chicago.

Massafra, in the Italian province of Lecce, where, according to information, mobs burned the cholera hospital and carried the cholera stricken patients through the streets, was declared under martial law.

G. Applas of Napa Junction, Cal., was stricken dumb by a hallucination. He informed his family, in writing, that he had seen a terrifying specter in his dream, standing by his bed. When he awoke he was mute.

The first woman ever to enter the diplomatic service of any country in the world is Miss Clothilde Lutse, who has been appointed by the president of Uruguay as an attaché of the Uruguayan legation at Brussels, Belgium.

Congressman Latta of the Third Nebraska district, died in the hospital at Rochester, Minn., where he had undergone an operation. He was 67 years old. His successor will be chosen at the November election. Burial took place at his home in Tekamah.

The convention of the national association of mutual insurance companies chose W. B. Straut of Lincoln, Neb., as president.

Rodney J. Diegle, former sergeant-at-arms of the Ohio senate, who was convicted of aiding and abetting alleged bribery, was given three years in the penitentiary.

Progressive democrats of Illinois are trying to get control of the party machine.

United States Senator Pomerene, who has been confined to his home by an acute attack of kidney trouble for several days, is much improved.

Trade reports show conditions to be only fairly active.

Admiral Togo returned home from his tour around the world.

Admission is made in Peking that the Chinese revolt is serious.

The death was announced at Brussels of Imbart de la Tour, a Belgian tenor.

At this writing over 100,000 men are engaged in army maneuvering in Germany.

Five burglars looted a bank of New Westminster, B. C., of over a quarter million dollars.

Carl Morris, the white hope, was outfought in his ten-round battle with Jim Flynn at New York.

John D. Rockefeller's protest that the appraisal on his Forest Hill estate is too high was ignored.

In an extended review of the case, President Taft exonerates Dr. Wiley and finds no cause for his resignation.

Swindler S. A. Potter is believed to have had a plan to catch London men for half a million by a "salted" mine.

Directors of the Rubber Goods Manufacturing company declared a quarterly dividend of 2 per cent on the common stock.

W. S. Overton of Sarpy county, Neb., is believed to have been murdered and robbed of \$4,000 about a month ago near Omaha.

Paul F. Bradley of Illinois, a law clerk of the interstate commerce commission, was appointed assistant attorney general of Porto Rico.

At Sydney, N. S. D., Jack Lester of Cleelum, Wash., defeated Bill Land, the Australian heavy weight, for the championship of Australia.

Colonel John Jacob Astor and Madeline Talmage Force, both of New York, were married at Breachwood, the bridegroom's New port house.

Five thousand Spanish troops have received orders from the ministry of war to reinforce the Spanish garrison at Mellilla, on the Riff coast of Morocco.

Armed with an umbrella filled with long pins, Miss Grace Bassett of Fremont, Neb., avenged a slight on her reputation by beating M. T. Sankey of Lincoln, a city employe.

The United States Steel corporation announced that the unfilled tonnage on the books on August 31 was 3,695,985 tons against 3,584,058 tons on July 31.

The will of Ole Cloven, a bachelor farmer of Iowa, just made public, leaves \$50,000 for the erection of a home for aged poor in the center of his large farm. Only \$1,000 is left to relatives.

The death of Congressman Latta means that at the coming November election his successor must be chosen. Had the Tekamah man's death occurred within thirty days of the November election the place could have been filled by appointment by Governor Aldrich.

According to the orders of the Iowa commission of health, Iowa live stock will be protected from disease in the future by the most stringent set of rules in force in the U. S.

The appointment of George Bakmeteff a Russian ambassador to the United States to succeed Baron Rosen, was officially announced at Petersburg. He was formerly ambassador to Japan and was at one time secretary of the Russian legation.

Ending unromantically a courtship of several months, Mrs. L. J. Sperry, a widow aged 65, filed suit in the district court at Lawrence, Kansas, against James D. Faxon, 69 years old, alleging breach of promise and asking \$10,000 damages.

The captain and fifteen of the crew of the German bark Thekla which was wrecked last July on the rocks of Staten island, near Terra Del Fuego, arrived at Punta Arenas, Chile, on board a transport. They had spent nearly two months on a desert island.

Senator Thomas P. Gore of Oklahoma, requested the Associated press to say the story that he has been invited by Premier Laurier of Canada to assist in the campaign for reciprocity is entirely without foundation.

The minister of education, M. Haxba, carrying out the new government's policy of interior development, announced that two new imperial universities accommodating a total of 1,000 students would be opened in Japan.

The wooden steamship Ramona of the Pacific Coast Steamship company, bound for Skagway from Seattle, with passengers and freight, went ashore on one of the Spanish islands, opposite Cape Decision, Alaska, a total loss.

Rallo B. Jackson of Newton, Ia., filed a complaint with the Interstate Commerce commission against the Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific Railway company, complaining against charges exacted on a carload of poultry from Newton to Chicago.

Personal.

The tariff board is working hard to make up its report.

Aviator Fowler left San Francisco on his transcontinental trip.

The president, on his long trip, will talk on many subjects.

David Smith, an early Omaha pioneer, died in the east.

Women are gradually forcing their way into the field of aviation.

The conference of governors showed strength for the rights of states.

A delegation of New England business men visited President Taft at Beverly and promised him support.

In a speech at Des Moines, Senator Cummins, disclaiming attempts at discord, lauded Senator La Follette.

LAW IS A PUZZLER

PURE FOOD AND STOCK FOOD ACT UNDER INQUIRY.

DISPOSAL OF FEES AN ISSUE

Can the Food Commissioners Use All Funds Paid in Without an Appropriation.

State officials are facing several puzzling questions as to the enforcement of the pure seed and commercial stock food law and the Gerdes accounting act, measures put upon the books by the last legislature.

If the food commissioner is allowed to draw from the state treasury all of the fees of his department, will he be able under the state law, to hire an extra chemist and enforce the law?

Does the Gerdes bill allow the expenditure of funds after it has provided that all of the state funds shall be collected and paid into the state treasury by the heads of each department?

If this can be done, may each of the departments of the state government withdraw all of the funds it collects and spend these amounts of money within each biennium?

Food Commissioner W. R. Jackson has written Auditor Barton as follows:

"The last legislature passed a pure seed and commercial stock food law and placed the enforcement of it under this department. This law provides for the analysis of seeds and stock foods by the department and the collection of certain fees. These fees under the same law in Iowa amounted in eighteen months to \$28,000. It is safe to assume that Nebraska will collect at least one-third of this amount. In passing this law the legislature made no appropriation for its enforcement and the law must become a dead letter unless the department can use such of the money collected as is necessary to fit up a seed laboratory and employ a seed analyst and an assistant chemist to handle the work necessary for a proper enforcement of the act. The attorney general informs me that under house roll No. 571 we can use the money collected in fees from this law, but we do not wish to enforce the law unless you are willing to draw the warrants against this money after it has been deposited with the state treasurer. If you can do this an immediate reply will be appreciated as the law is effective October 1, 1911."

The auditor has referred the matter to the attorney general.

The Alfalfa Crop.

Farmers in Lancaster county are much pleased with their alfalfa crop of the past month or more and are witnessing another crop grow up with tremendous strides since the rains of the past ten days or more. The quality of the crops so far harvested has been uniform and of good length.

Big Yields of Wheat.

Thrashing machine men state that in the southeastern corner of the state, particularly Otoe county, some big yields of wheat are reported threshed from the stack. Several have reports of yields as high as fifty bushels to the acre. Yields of twenty-five to thirty bushels have been frequently chronicled in the eastern half of the state.

Big Fair a Winner.

The Nebraska state fair for 1911 is rated a tremendous success, the attendance for the week exceeding that of any previous fair by 45,000, an increase of nearly 40 per cent. over last year.

Suit Against Base Ball Club.

The Lincoln base ball club and Special Officer M. W. Bly were made defendants in a \$10,000 damage suit filed in district court by R. W. Hansen of Lincoln. Hansen declares that he was following Officer Bly as the latter escorted an umpire from the ball park on August 12, following a demonstration by the crowd against the official. He had not taken part in the demonstration, he asserts, and without provocation, he declares, Bly struck him over the head with his club, inflicting serious injuries.

Work Not Yet Done.

"I will order a prosecution for the removal of some members of the fire and police commission of South Omaha," said Governor Aldrich. "I do not know yet whether the whole commission will be attacked or not. Possibly only two members will be prosecuted. I am still conducting my investigations and am not prepared to specify the individual defendants until my investigation is completed."

Against Trading Stamps.

County Attorney M. A. Hartigan of Adams county has filed a protest with the secretary of state asking that officer not to reinstate in good standing in Nebraska the Sperry & Hutchinson Trading Stamp company on the ground that the company is violating the trading stamp law passed by the last legislature. He has also filed a similar protest against Stein Brothers of Hastings, a company that is working in connection with a big trading stamp company.

REFORM AT MILFORD.

Governor Lays Down Law in Emphatic Words.

Reports that the present officers of the soldiers' home at Milford have not treated their recently appointed successors courteously have been far from pleasing to Governor Aldrich, according to reports at the state house.

Mr. Hillyard of Superior, who is to be commandant, visited the home recently accompanied by his daughter, Mrs. Baum, who is to be matron. They desired to familiarize themselves with the plant and their duties. Commandant Howard and Matron Walsh are said to have refused to extend these courtesies.

"When the new officers go on duty Monday," said Governor Aldrich, "I intend to have a notice posted on the walls of the building warning old soldiers that the first one that comes into the home intoxicated or who brings intoxicating liquors into the home will be summarily fired. The home will also contain a warning against tale bearers and those inmates who sneak round and backbite the management in the hope of creating discord. There are about five old soldiers in the home whom I am anxious to discharge at the least provocation. Their names will be made known when they are bounced for creating disturbances. Some of that bunch appear to think that I will do anything they want me to do just because I have made one change in the management of the institution. I will show them that they must behave like men if they desire to retain the shelter of a state institution."

"Another change for the benefit of the old soldiers that I intend to have made is the employment of janitors to care for the halls and rooms. This work has been done by detail from among the inmates, but the old soldiers are not able to work and the labor is not well done. If possible I intend to have the home conducted as if it were a big hospital."

The President's Visit.

Committees which will have charge of President Taft's reception, October 2, have not yet been appointed. The matter has been held in abeyance partly on account of the absence of Former Senator Burdett from the city. The reception committee will have a hard task confronting them to arrange the many details which are required by the men who are preparing the way for the president's journey.

Fleg Case in Supreme Court.

The supreme court of Nebraska will convene Monday and continue in session all week. The Fleg murder case will be argued. William Fleg of Dixon county, convicted of the murder of his sister, and who is now at liberty on a \$25,000 bond, has appealed for a reversal of the judgment of the lower court and jury.

Building Associations.

In his annual report of building and loan associations in Nebraska, E. Royse, secretary of the banking board, condemns the policy of the associations in trying to build up the number of non-borrowing stockholders, saying, "it is the most apparent inherent weakness in these associations. The report shows that the assets of these associations are now \$24,885,000. Ten years ago the assets were about \$4,000,000."

Corporation List Published.

The governor's proclamation containing a list of corporations that have not paid the annual occupation tax to the state says the corporations named are delinquent and that their charters will be forfeited unless payment of the fee is made by November 10.

\$65,672.40 Taken at Fair.

Treasurer Dickman of the State Fair board has reported as to the amount of money taken in each day in the different classes of admissions. The total admissions at the gates and in the grandstand and the bleachers amounted to \$65,672.40.

Invited to National Capital.

Labor Commissioner Guye has received an invitation to attend the meeting of state immigration agents to be held at Washington on November 16 and 17. The conference has been called by the national Department of Commerce and Labor.

Reports Must Be Made.

Labor Commissioner Guye has again sent notice to corporations, factories and shops that reports of accidents must be sent to him under the provision of a law passed last winter. Street car companies are among the corporations that do not send in reports. Mr. Guye has obtained from newspaper clippings showing that six fatal accidents have taken place recently. He has sent these clippings to the corporations in whose plant the accidents have occurred and requested the managers to make reports on blanks which he encloses.

The Penitentiary Report.

The report of Warden Delahunty of the state penitentiary for the month of August shows a prison population of 462. During the month twenty-one were discharged, one paroled, two pardoned and three remanded for trial.

Entertainment for President.

President Taft is to be accorded a noonday luncheon on his visit to Lincoln, at the Lincoln hotel, after which he will be escorted to the Auditorium, where he will deliver an address.

RIOTERS FIRED ON

SAVAGE STREET FIGHTING IN AUSTRIAN CAPITAL.

A SOCIALIST DEMONSTRATION

High Food Prices Given as the Cause for This Most Serious Outbreak.

Vienna.—Traceable to the high price of the necessities of life riots broke out Sunday and many persons were killed or wounded. Troops fired on the mob, which had erected barricades in the streets. There was a fierce exchange of bullets and the soldiers were pelted with all sorts of missiles.

Following a huge socialistic demonstration outside the Rathaus, held for the purpose of protesting against the high price of food, it became necessary to call out troops to disperse the rioters. In the early clashes fifty of the rioters were wounded and 100 arrested.

Fifty thousand persons were present at the demonstration and fiery speeches were made, demanding that the government permit the importation of foreign meat and take other measures to remedy the conditions which have resulted from the prohibitory increase in the price of food products.

After the meeting a large procession marched to the parliament buildings, cheering for revolution and Portugal. Revolvers were fired in the air and then the mob began stone throwing. The windows of many public and private buildings, restaurants and train cars and street lamps were smashed.

Finally a squadron of dragons and a detachment of infantry appeared on the scene. They charged the rioters and dispersed them. The mob reassembled, however, in the suburbs which are occupied by the working class, where they wrecked more property. The troops were retained throughout the day guarding the imperial palace and government buildings and holding all approaches to the inner city.

The rioting was of a most determined and savage character. The mob was especially inflamed by the appearance of troops on the scene, and although an official account states that only one person was killed by a bayonet thrust, several wounded by a volley and about sixty seriously injured, it is believed that the casualties were much higher.

Former Senator Carter Dead.

Washington.—Former United States Senator, Thomas Henry Carter of Montana, for many years a notable and picturesque character in national politics, once chairman of the republican national committee, and since last year chairman of the American section of the International commission, died at his home Sunday of infection of the lungs. He was 57 years old. Mr. Carter had been under the care of a physician for months, but not closely confined.

Big Hail Storm.

Osceola, Neb.—A heavy hail storm at 4 o'clock this afternoon damaged corn in this vicinity and broke several plate glass windows in Osceola. Some of the hail stones were nine inches in circumference. Neighboring towns suffered little.

Kills Man, Attacks Woman.

Jacksonville, Fla.—Cleoro Thompson, a carpenter, aged 45, was killed and a woman companion, whom he was accompanying home, was attacked by a negro at Ortego, a suburb of this city.

Death-Dealing Automobile.

Syracuse, N.—Nine persons were killed and fourteen injured, some of them seriously, as the result of an accident during the closing miles of a fifty-mile automobile race at the state fair track Saturday, when a Knox car, driven by Lee Oldfield, leaped from the track, crashed through the fence surrounding it and plunged into the throngs that lined the other side of the speedway.

Presbyterian Report.

Chicago, Ill.—The annual report of the general assembly of the Presbyterian church, just issued, gives the following statistics on the Nebraska synod: Presbyteries, 6; ministers, 183; churches, 231; communicants, 20,279; baptisms, 859; Sunday school membership, 20,225.

Milwaukee Girl Elopes.

Milwaukee, Wis.—A Milwaukee girl played a joke on her parents by eloping to Chicago and then sending her small brother to the newspaper offices to let her father know through them that she is a wife.

Train Kills Four.

Milwaukee.—Four members of the family of Frank Klein, postmaster and notary public of Rockfield, Wis., and a servant of the family, were killed when Soo road passenger train No. 202, due in Milwaukee at 6:50 p. m., struck their double buggy.

Five Million Dollar Fire.

Rio Janeiro.—The national printing works were destroyed by fire Sunday. Other valuable property was burned and the damage is estimated at \$5,000,000.

NEBRASKA IN BRIEF.

News Notes of Interest from Various Sections.

Headquarters of the republican state central committee has been located in Omaha.

Nebraska schools opening all along the line report increased attendance over the previous year.

The rabbits for the coursing futurity meet to be held at Friend October 2 to 7, are arriving and are being trained.

William J. Bryan will spend sixteen days campaigning throughout the state in the interests of the democratic state ticket.

Mrs. Sarah McCain, Dawson county, 68 years old, has been adjudged insane and will be taken to the Hastings asylum.

While doing a cowboy stunt Theodore, the 12-year-old son of William Adams of Red Willow county, was thrown from his pony and died.

John Petty, Jr., the 12-year-old son of the late John Petty of Springfield, was drowned in the Platte river four miles south of Springfield. The body was recovered.

The Holdrege Woman's club is busy making preparations to entertain the annual convention of the State Federation of Women's clubs in that city October 9-13.

Alexander T. Butler, a prominent cattle man of Casper, Wyo., was found dead in a bathtub at the Her Grand hotel in Omaha. He had died from apoplexy.

Captain L. Enyart, president of the Farmers' bank of Nebraska City, was seriously injured in a runaway near Galloway. In addition to having his hip broken he is injured internally.

Charles Clem, a stone cutter of Franklin, is being held in the county jail at Bloomington on the charge of murder as a result of the death of Frank Smith, who was shot in a room over Clem's marble works.

Douglas county is contributing more students to the state university each year. The registration this year from Douglas county alone will reach 250. In 1903 the registration from Douglas county was only 137.

In the Lincoln office of J. J. Cox, division freight agent of the Burlington, are piled samples of corn from every county in the district over which Mr. Cox has jurisdiction. These samples are being made ready for shipment to Chicago, where they will be inspected by officials of the road.

Following an altercation with his son while under the influence of liquor, Vaclav Hercok, a Bohemian aged 62, living six miles from Wilber, in the northwest part of Gage county, was found dead. The coroner's jury brought in a verdict that the deceased came to his death either by a blow from the hands of his son or by falling against the corner of a dresser.

The poultry show at the Nebraska state fair, according to Secretary Mellor, was the largest show of poultry at any state fair in the United States. There were 2,462 birds in the Nebraska exhibit. Secretary Mellor has completed the work of issuing warrants in payment of all premiums in all departments of the fair and in payment of all claims that have been filed against the fair.

Abel Schaffer, a well known young man residing a mile southwest of Hooper, lost his life on the Northwestern railroad track in town. Schaffer's body was so badly mangled that none of his acquaintances were able to identify it. One hand, an eye, the jawbone with some teeth attached and fragments of scalp and bone were picked up along the track for a distance of 300 feet.

Governor Aldrich has extradited Mr. and Mrs. Rap Piper who are under arrest for passing forged checks at Fort Dodge, Ia. They are accused of getting checks cashed at stores, the checks purporting to be issued by the Corn Belt Packing company of Fort Dodge. One merchant has filed an affidavit alleging that he cashed a bad check for \$26 and another merchant says he contributed \$25.

The advisory board of pardons met and after hearing testimony decided to recommend paroles for Ralph Nieman of Sheridan county and Henry Martin of Hall county. The former had been accused of unlawful relations with a young woman cousin, and when one of the directors of the school board by which Nieman was employed accused him of immoral actions the young school teacher shot him without further provocation.

The biplane flights by Aviator Walsh at Neligh nearly ended in disaster when, upon alighting, after the first flight the machine was wrecked and the driver thrown out. Just as he was about to alight Walsh saw that he must either run into the crowd or a pile of sewer tile unless he turned. In swinging to the left the plane on that side of the machine struck the ground and tripped the machine, throwing the driver underneath. He was not much hurt.

Louis Rogers, the vaudeville actor, who is being held in Fremont on the charge of having murdered the infant child of his woman companion, will be taken to the state penitentiary for safe keeping.

C. H. Lee and others of Silver Creek have appealed to the supreme court from the decision of Judge Hollenbeck, who affirmed the granting of licenses in Silver Creek to Charles M. Sokol, Nicholas A. Shue and Edward Shank. The remonstrators alleged that the signers of petitions were not all freeholders and that one member of the village board was not qualified.